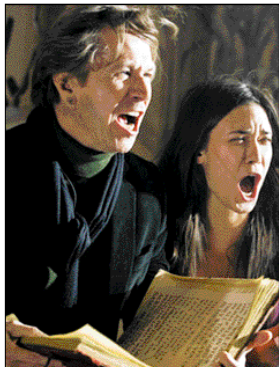


## Inside



■ Movies this week: 'The Unborn' (above), 'Doubt' and 'The Spirit' **B4**

## Education

**Hickam Officers' Spouses Club Thrift Shop Scholarships** — The HOSC Thrift Shop Scholarship Program is offering scholarships for graduating high school seniors, and spouses who are DoD dependents. Active duty, retired, reserve and Air National Guard stationed here in Hawaii are eligible to apply. Pick up your application packet at the NCO Club, Officers' Club, Education Office, Family Support or Hickam Library. For more information or to have a packet e-mailed to you, please contact Jennifer Waite at 422-5045. Act soon — the deadline is Sunday, March 1.

**Force Development Flight Closure** — The Force Development Flight (Education Office & Base Training) will be at minimal manning or closed until today, Feb. 13, due to the 15 AW Operational Readiness Inspection. Please note that the closure may occur without prior notice. All scheduled testing, such as WAPS and PME exams, will continue as planned. POC is Force Development Flight at the following e-mail: 15mss.dpe@hickam.af.mil.

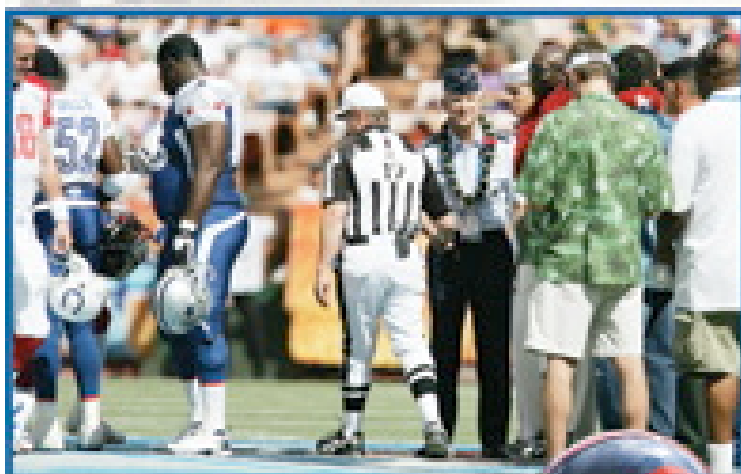
**Troops To Teachers Presentation** — A local representative will be available in Hangar 2, Room 102 on Wednesday, Feb. 18 from 0900-1100. No appointment required. Plan approximately 1.5 hours for the presentation. For more information, contact the Force Development Flight at 449-6363.

**09E6/7 WAPS Testing** — The cycle runs until March 31. For individuals testing until Feb. 13, please plan to arrive early due to the 15 AW ORI (allow time for exercise inputs such as gate closures and restricted base movement). WAPS testing is scheduled for 0730 and 1330 in Hangar 2, Rm 278. Note these are test start times NOT SHOW TIMES. Doors open at 0715 and 1315. All examinees must be in Military Uniform of the day and have their valid military ID cards in their possession to be tested. Call Mr. Myers, at 449-6363 x252 or e-mail david.myers@hickam.af.mil

**CCAF Cutoff Date for Spring Diploma Printing** — To be considered part of the CCAF April class, CCAF must receive all documentation (official transcripts) for degree candidate submissions by Feb. 27. This is for diplomas to be printed in April. Hickam's annual CCAF graduation ceremony will be May 15. Contact Timothy Smith at timothy.smith2@hickam.af.mil or call 449-6363 x221.

# Hanging with the Pros

The NFL Pro Bowl was played at Aloha Stadium on Sunday. But the pros also visited Hickam Air Force Base last week. At top right, Col Giovanni Tuck receives an autographed ball from Brandon Marshall of the Denver Broncos, Shaun O'Hara of the New York Giants, Jordan Gross of the Carolina Panthers and Wes Welker of the New England Patriots; below right, Marshall meets young fans at the School Age Program at Hickam (photos courtesy of Cecilia Vargas, 15 SVS). On game day: below, Lt Gen Douglas Fraser, Deputy Commander of the US Pacific Command, attends the coin toss; bottom, Marshall goes for catch; right, TSgt Brian Snow with Sgt. Damon Hutchins and D.J. Hutchins; background, the joint-service color guard (Jay Parco photos).



## Don't forget the romance tomorrow

By Chris Aguinaldo  
Hickam Kukini editor

It's been a heck of a week on base, hasn't it?

The Operational Readiness Inspection has meant days of heightened security, 12-hour shifts and gallons of coffee imbibed to showcase the performance excellence of Team Hickam.

But, are you (meaning mostly husbands and boyfriends) "ready" for tomorrow? That's right, folks — lost in the shuffle is a holiday just slightly less important than your anniversary or birthday.

In less than 24 hours, Cupid brings his arrows to Hickam for Valentine's Day. (It's a good thing he waited near the end of the ORI, else he might have been blown out of the sky.)



Courtesy photo

Air Force SSgt Karen Dorsey and husband Navy IT2 (SW/AW) James Dorsey, are trying to stay close to each other as they pursue careers in different services.

How about a nice dinner? As of Hickam Kukini's print time, there were still tickets available for the sumptuous sweetheart's dinners at both the Officers Club and Enlisted Club.

Reservations are required. The Officers' Club (448-4608) is taking reservations until today, while the Enlisted Club (448-2271) will take reservations until tomorrow.

SSgt Karen Dorsey of PACOM says she and her husband James will probably do the classic "dinner and a movie" date tomorrow.

Still newlyweds (married Dec. 18 at Nelles Chapel), the couple have found romance not only in Hawaii, but also across services as James is a U.S. Navy Information Systems

See ROMANCE, B5

# Inside SERVICES

## Mahalo Madness coming!

We at 15th Services want to show you our appreciation for your patronage, during Mahalo Madness Customer Appreciation Week Feb. 23-27. During Mahalo Madness there will be savings at each Services facility, contests, prizes and giveaways. To cap off the Mahalo Madness Week, the super finale “Mahalo Fest”, a full scale Concert/Festival event complete with entertainment, live bands, food and game booths, kiddy rides, rock climbing and bouncy houses, on Feb.27, from 3 to 8 p.m. at Freedom Tower Mall. This event is free for all ID card-holders.

Mahalo Madness and Mahalo Fest are sponsored in part by DECA, Roberts Hawaii, USAA, VA Loans Hawaii, Mary Kay, Big City Diner, Geico, Kilauea Military Camp, Germaine's Luau, University of Phoenix, Sea Life Park, Tony Group, Miller Lite, Menchune Water and Silpada Jewelry (no Federal endorsement of sponsors intended).

## Enjoy Magic of Polynesia

Master illusionist John Hirokawa will leave you spell-bound as he combines the panache of Las Vegas and the soul of Polynesian song and dance. The Magic of Polynesia Show is at 8 p.m. daily, in the Waikiki Beachcomber Hotel. Military special, buy one, get one free ends Feb. 28. Pay \$45 for two. Call Tickets & Travel for reservations at 448-2295.

## Enlisted club golf tourney

The 15th Annual Hickam Enlisted Club Golf Tournament is Friday, March 13 at Mamala Bay Golf Course with the first tee times at noon. Pre-sale tickets for Club members go on sale Feb.17 for \$50. Tickets for non-club members go on sale Feb. 23 for \$75. Ticket price includes tournament and green fees, lunch and post tournament dinner at the E'Club. Prizes will be awarded for the top finishers. Call E'Club at 448-2271 to sign-up.

## Solar System explored at Hickam Library

Learn about the brightest planet in our Solar System, Venus, on Thursday, Feb.19, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Hickman Library. This program is part of a bi-monthly Solar System series presented now through September by James Wallace, NASA Solar System Ambassador. Call at 449-8299 for information.

## Calling Hickam youth

Hickam Youth Sports & Fitness Center is having a Youth Membership Night Feb. 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. This is your opportunity to visit the facility, find out what pro-

grams are offered, and participate in fun activities for youth. Programs include Fit Factor Conditioning, Tumbling, Cheerleading, Sports and Rhythmic Movements. These programs help students develop a positive self-image, self confidence, increase physical fitness and acquire skills in a fun and safe environment. Membership is for youth ages 5 years and above. Call the Youth Sports & Fitness Center front desk at 448-2287 to sign up. The cost is \$10 for non-members and free for members. The center is located at Bldg 1399.

## Take chess challenge

Grab your pawns, rooks, queen, king and all the other chess pieces for the annual Hickam Base-Level Chess Tournament, scheduled for Feb. 21, at 11 a.m. at the Makai Recreation Center. The tournament is open to all authorized patrons of the Makai Recreation Center. Call the Makai Recreation Center at 449-3354.

## Kenny Hill 'slams' out the laughs

Kenny Hill's All Star Comedy Slam is Saturday, Feb. 21, 9 p.m. at the Hickam Memorial Theater. The cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. The fun continues in the After Party at J.R. Rockers following the show until 2 a.m. Meet the comics and party with Doc Jay.

Admission is free. Call the Enlisted Club for more information, at 448-2271.

## Catch UFC 95 action

Ultimate Fight Championship 95 featuring Sanchez vs Stevenson will be aired at the Enlisted Club's J.R. Rockers on Feb.21. The fight starts at 4 p.m. February special, admission is free. Call the E'Club at 448-2271 for more information.

## Snorkel at Ko'olina

Outdoor Recreation has a Snorkel at Ko'olina Adventure Sunday, Feb.22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. See awesome ocean wildlife in a safe, secure environment. Round-trip transportation from Hickam, instruction and safety equipment provided. Bring snorkel gear, towel, sunscreen and lunch. Don't forget to bring your camera. The cost is \$35 per person. Call Outdoor Recreation at 449-5215 for more information.

## Laugh at 'Base Humor'

Armed Forces Entertainment presents a comedy show called "Base Humor" on Friday, Feb. 27 at 9 p.m. at the Enlisted Club. Headline comics include Wiley Roberts, Laura Park and Dan Moore. Doors open at 8 p.m. Admission is free. Call the E'Club at 448-2271 for more information.

## Free junior clinic scheduled at Mamala Bay

The Mamala Bay Golf Course is having a free Junior Clinic on Friday, Feb. 27, from 4-4:45 p.m. the clinic is limited to the first 12 juniors to sign up. Please call the Pro Shop for more information at 449-2305.

**mahalo**  
**MADNESS**  
CUSTOMER APPRECIATION WEEK  
February 23-27

**Specials and prizes at selected Services activities all week long!**

Mahalo for your patronage last year. You're the reason we're in business. So for the entire week of February 23-27, we're giving you "Mahalo Madness", a wild and crazy ride of savings at all our facilities just for you. Look for Maddie the Menehune on the Services Holo Holo Trolley passing out prizes around the base during Customer Appreciation Week.

**mahalo**  
**FEST**  
February 27, 3-8 p.m.  
Freedom Tower Mall



**HONOLULU SERVICES**  
*Local Support Community Care*

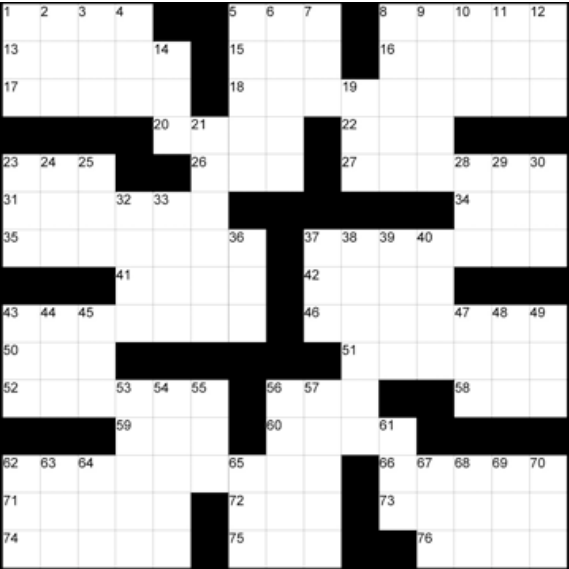
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# Crossword Puzzle: The Final Frontier



By Capt. Tony Wickman  
71st Flying Training Wing  
Public Affairs

ACROSS

- 1. American cookery expert von Starkloff Rombauer
- 5. Foreign news org.
- 8. Urchin
- 13. Noticing
- 15. Singer Rawls
- 16. Lucky Lindy’s 1927 destination
- 17. USAF spacelift rocket
- 18. USA’s first satellite
- 20. Oak or elm
- 22. Pilot with 5+ kills
- 23. Motorist org.
- 26. USAF NCO report
- 27. USA’s first space station
- 31. Cancer or Capricorn
- 34. Actress Lupino
- 35. USAF communication satellite

- 37. USAF GPS satellite
- 41. ICBM treaty
- 42. Once \_\_\_ a Time in Mexico
- 43. NASA’s Enterprise or Discovery
- 46. Added up
- 50. Write
- 51. Bean
- 52. Smells
- 56. Have pain
- 58. Pistol
- 59. Pub order
- 60. Asset
- 62. USAF pilots Grissom, Cooper or Slayton
- 66. USAF spacelift rocket
- 71. Mercury program number
- 72. Crypto org.
- 73. Plant offspring
- 74. MOH winner Captain Harl \_\_\_

75. Affirmative

76. 2003 Jackson movie

DOWN

- 1. Danger to ground troops, in short
- 2. Deli bread
- 3. USAF web site ending
- 4. Picnic pest
- 5. Edit out from a broadcast
- 6. Tyson or Holyfield
- 7. Kitchen measurement
- 8. Kirk’s pal
- 9. The Emancipation of Mimi singer Mariah
- 10. Diamonds \_\_\_ Forever
- 11. Russian space station
- 12. Greek letter
- 14. Pistol, in slang
- 19. \_\_\_ Vegas
- 21. Total \_\_\_\_
- 23. Cash machine
- 24. Onassis nickname
- 25. Earthlink competitor
- 28. Radiant
- 29. Oklahoma town
- 30. Prohibit
- 32. Attention getter
- 33. \_\_\_ Happened \_\_\_ the World’s Fair
- 36. Map path, in short
- 37. Acorn
- 38. Space program to the moon
- 39. Rock the \_\_\_
- 40. Fabric tear
- 43. Health resort
- 44. Death Becomes \_\_\_\_
- 45. Card game
- 47. Bear
- 48. Flightless bird

49. Lair

53. Female horses

54. Isolated

55. Rep.’s house partner

56. Mistreat

57. Greek letters

61. AFB equivalent

62. Cleo killer

63. Observe

64. Tenn. Power assoc.

65. \_\_\_\_ Given Sunday

67. USAF school for 62

ACROSS, perhaps

68. A \_\_ Down Dirty Shame

69. ND coach Parseghian

70. \_\_\_\_ It Off

See SOLUTIONS, B4

# SUDOKU

For solution, see SUDOKU, B4

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## Team Hickam History

The Air Force’s most historic airfield

**February 13, 1917** — Captain John F. Curry of the Army Air Service arrives in Honolulu to command the first aviation unit established in Hawaii — the 6th Aero Squadron, organized for the aerial coast defense of Oahu. With Curtiss N-9 seaplanes assigned, the squadron was first stationed at Fort Kamehameha, and then moved to Ford Island.

**February 14, 1973** — The first group of 20 former prisoners of war stop at Hickam AFB, while en route from Vietnam to CONUS, as part of Operation Homecoming. More than 2,000 base personnel greeted the Americans who disembarked from a C-141.

**February 15, 1989** — The 6010th Aerospace Defense Flight is redesignated the 6010th Aerospace Defense Group, which is assigned to the 15 ABW for logistical and administrative support and attached to HQ PACAF/DO for operational and administrative control.

**February 15, 1989** — The 326th Air Division is deactivated at Wheeler AFB, marking the end of a 32-year stay in Hawaii.

**February 15, 2003** — From Feb. 13 to 15, 2003, Hickam hosts “Operation Homecoming Remembrance,” inviting former POWs to a special three-day event commemorating the 1973 return of Vietnam War POWs who first touched down on American soil at Hickam AFB.

**February 16, 1973** — The new Arts and Crafts Center on Kuntz Ave. in Area 61 opens with a ceremony and open house.

**February 17, 1962** — Formal dedication of new HIANG facilities includes participation by the governor, state adjutants of the Army and Air Force National Guard, and the Hickam base commander. A fly-by of HIANG F-102 jets closed the morning ceremony, and an open house in the afternoon had about 10,000 people.



Best of Jenny



RELIGIOUS OPPORTUNITIES

For more information on Base Chapel services , call the Chapel Center at 449-1754.

CATHOLIC

Nelles Chapel  
Weekday Mass  
Mon.-Thu.,  
11:30 a.m.  
Saturday Confessions  
4:15 p.m.  
Saturday Vigil Mass  
5 p.m.  
Chapel Center  
Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

PROTESTANT

Chapel Center  
Sunday  
Contemporary Service  
8:30 a.m.  
Nelles Chapel  
Traditional/Liturgical  
Service 8:30 a.m.  
Gospel Service  
10:30 a.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(Catholic) Chapel Center  
Sunday (Sep-May) 9:00 a.m.  
(Protestant) Chapel Center  
Sunday (Sep-May) AWANA  
3:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Sunday School  
Dinner 4:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Sunday School  
Classes 6:00 p.m

THE GATHERING PLACE

Airmen’s Dorm Coffeehouse  
King Hall First Floor  
Dayroom – Bldg. 1856 - All  
Airmen welcome!  
Mon.-Thu. 6-10 p.m.  
Fri.-Sat. 6-11 p.m.  
Free gourmet espresso, cap-  
puccinos, Italian sodas  
Video games, internet,

movies and more  
To Volunteer, call the  
Hickam Chapel Center at  
449-1754

OTHER RELIGIOUS OPPORTUNITIES

Buddhist, call 536-7044  
Jewish, call 473-3970  
Mormon, call 488-2434  
Muslim, call 947-0050

SOLUTIONS, From B3

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SUDOKU, From B3

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AT THE MOVIES

Memorial Theater 448-2297 • CLOSED Monday and Tuesday

Saturday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

‘The Unborn’ —

Casey Beldon hated her mother for abandoning her as a child. But when inexplicable events begin to happen, Casey begins to understand why she left. Plagued by merciless dreams and a tortured ghost that haunts her waking hours, she must turn to a spiritual advisor, Sendak, who can make it stop. They uncover a family curse dating to Nazi Germany.

Starring Gary Oldman and Odette Yustman.

Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violence/terror, disturbing images, thematic material, language and sexual references. Length: 88 min.



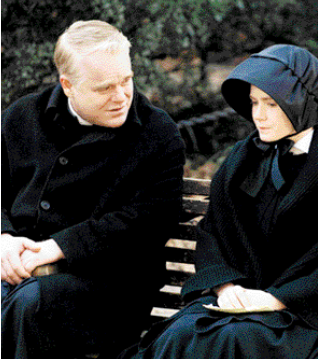
Sunday, 4 p.m.

‘Doubt’ — Father Flynn

is trying to upend a school’s strict customs. The winds of political change are sweeping through the country, and, the school has just accepted its first black student, Donald Miller. But when Sister James shares with Sister Aloysius her suspicion that Father Flynn is paying too much attention to Donald, Sister Aloysius begins a crusade to both unearth the truth in a battle that threatens to tear apart the church and school.

Starring Meryl Streep and Philip Seymour Hoffman.

Rated PG-13 for thematic material. Length: 104 min.



Thursday, 7 p.m.

‘The Spirit’ — A

former rookie cop returns mysteriously from the dead as the Spirit to fight crime from the shadows of central city. His arch-enemy has a different mission: wiping out Spirit’s beloved city. The Spirit tracks this cold-hearted killer all the while facing a bevy of beautiful women who either want to seduce, love or kill our masked crusader.

Starring Jaime King and Gabriel Macht.

Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of stylized violence/action, sexual content and nudity. Length: 102 min.



**ROMANCE,** From B1

Technician at PACOM. SSgt Dorsey says one of the biggest challenges they expect to face “is staying together, getting assignments close to each other, matching our DEROS dates and still fulfilling all of our respective service blocks needed for advancement in our career fields and promotions.”

She has about a dozen years left before she retires. In that vein, IT2 (SW/AW) Dorsey says he’d like to pursue a degree before leaving the Navy and then joining the Air Force as an officer so he can be with his wife.

And, yes, they have other challenges being an Air Force/Navy couple, like learning about the other service’s culture and norms.

For example, SSgt Dorsey says the Navy “seems to be more rank conscious than the Air Force.”

Her husband adds that he sees a difference in the two services in the formality “they answer or just talk to their senior leadership in E-7 to E-9 or officer ranks.”

Even so, they make their relationship work.

“The only advice I can offer is to make sure you are definitely certain and willing to tough it out as you might be apart,” said SSgt Dorsey. “And have immense faith and trust in God, each other, and be confident in your service.”

Call it confidence or faith, but SSgt (Ret) Frank Swerdya has been married to wife Diane for 55 years.

The Massachusetts couple visited Hickam on Feb. 5



SSgt (Ret) Frank Swerdya and wife Diane stand outside of Nelles Chapel on Feb. 5, 2009, where they were married 55 years ago.

and went to Nelles Chapel, where the former 51st Air Transport Squadron member wed his bride in 1955.

Swerdya — who went on missions all over the Pacific, including Tokyo, Johnston

Atoll, Midway Island and more — needed a little help finding the venerable chapel.

“The base has changed,” he said with a grin.

So what does he attribute his long marriage that has

resulted in three children, eight grandkids and two great grandchildren?

“You have got to live your life and hang in there,” said the former airman, as he smiled at his wife.



**Exercise: Back Extension**

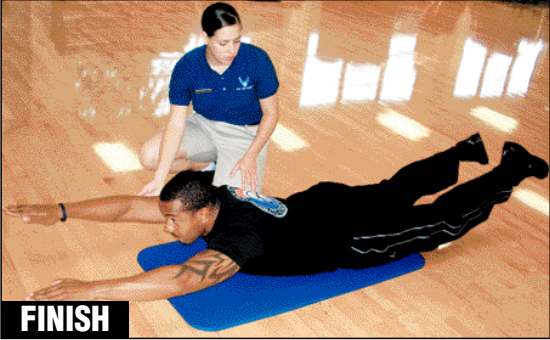
**Muscle group: Lower back**

This exercise is great for developing strength in the lower back.

**Execution:** Lie on stomach with hands placed underneath the chin or arms extended overhead for more advance. Slowly lift upper body off the floor, hold and slowly return to starting position. Perform 8-12 repetition for strength, 15-20 for muscle endurance.

**Other options:**

1. Lift one leg as you raise the upper body
2. Lift both legs as you raise the upper body.



Photos: Benny Miguel, Hickam Fitness Center fitness director

Instructions: A1C Katrina Plank, assistant fitness coordinator

Model: Senior Airman Marcus Shelton (with Airman Plank)